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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

This is UNEVALUATED Information

1. Up to 2 February 1952, the Kleine Kaserne at Aue (N 51/K 53), on the south side of the Aue-Schneeberg road, was occupied by troops who wore black-bordered crimson epaulets. A maximum number of 235 troops were observed in the billeting area at a time. Many officers and men were seen entering or leaving the installation. Two officers supervised three squads of 10 men each, who were engaged in rifle drill with mounted bayonets in the barracks yard on 19 January. Two units of 30 unarmed men each were seen marching around the barracks yard on 22 January. Three platoons of about 50 men each practiced a concentrated attack against one point, apparently a bunker, on 25 January, with the exercise being supervised by five officers. Vehicles

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_____ were identified driving to the installation. (1) Another group of buildings under construction about 100 meters east of the Kleine Kaserne seemed to be designed as a barracks installation, too. The attic frames were completed by early February. (2)

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2. Prior to 2 February, the Neue Kaserne on Rudolf Breitscheidstrasse on the southeastern perimeter of Aue, west of Object 100, was occupied by troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets. About five percent of the troops were artillery and motor transport insignia. A maximum number of 100 soldiers were observed at one time. The view into the billeting area was completely obstructed. The installation seemed to be less occupied than the Kleine Kaserne.

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3. Prior to 2 February, no changes were noticed in the situation at the Auerbach (N 51/K 64) military post and thus source concluded that about 200 officers and 600 men, counted on the occasion of Stalin's birthday, were still stationed at the post. All troops seen in Restricted Area I wore black-bordered crimson epaulets.

_____ All troops seen in Restricted Area II wore red-bordered black epaulets, including about five percent with artillery, signal and motor transport insignia. In addition to

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Comments.

- (1) The Kleine Kaserne was referred to [REDACTED] as August Wellner factory. 25X1
It is the MGB quarters on Ernst Thaelmannstrasse, on the northwestern
perimeter of Aue. The vehicles which, in addition to those mentioned in 25X1
previous reports, [REDACTED] belong to motor
transport units of the First Ods Mecz Army detached to the uranium mining area.
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- (2) This new construction project is reported for the first time. 25X1
- (3) The Neue Kaserne is known under the name of Hecker factory. The five percent
of soldiers who wore artillery and motor transport insignia are believed to
belong to the motor transport units mentioned in Field Comment 1. [REDACTED] 25X1
- (4) The two restricted areas at Auerbach are known from previous reports. [REDACTED] 25X1
[REDACTED] The present report contains no new information
over previous reports. [REDACTED]

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